

THIRD ANNUAL REPORT
OF
THE EDUCATIONAL HOME FOR BOYS.



Take this child away, and nurse it for me, and I will give thee thy wages.—EXODUS ii. 9.

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FIRST STREET NORTH OF WOODLAND AVENUE,
PHILADELPHIA.

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Read at the Annual Meeting, February 4th, 1875.

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Members to serve for Three Years.

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Lewis Waln Smith, 707 Walnut Street.

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William Lippincott, 1717 Spruce Street.

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Richard S. Howell, 1829 Delancey Place.

To serve for One Year.

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J. B. Moorhead, 136 S. Third Street.

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William H. Merrick, 627 Walnut Street.

Henry Lewis, 240 Chestnut Street.

Joseph Jeanes, 1023 Arch Street.

William Henry Lex, 51 N. Sixth Street.

Franklin A. Dick, 627 Walnut Street.

Walter Allison, 24 South Eighteenth Street.

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Directresses.

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Secretary.

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Treasurer.

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To serve for Two Years.

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Miss E. C. Roberts, 1901 Walnut Street.
Mrs. Edward Lowber, 1305 Spruce Street.
Mrs. H. C. Gibson, 1612 Walnut Street.
Miss Foster, 110 S. Nineteenth Street.
Mrs. Evan Randolph, 2002 Arch Street.
Mrs. Wm. Lippincott, 1717 Spruce Street.
Miss Mary H. Trotter, 2102 Spruce Street.
Mrs. S. Rodman Morgan, 1814 Spruce Street.

To Serve for One Year.

Mrs. James Dundas Lippincott, 2112 Spruce Street.
Mrs. F. S. Hoffman, 3455 Walnut Street.
Miss Mary C. Cox, 1302 Pine Street.
Miss Mary F. Lex, 2030 Chestnut Street.
Mrs. F. A. Dick, 1709 Locust Street.
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Mrs. Charles S. Wurts, 1533 Spruce Street.

VISITING PHYSICIANS FOR 1875.

February, March, April : DR. M. B. MUSSER, 229 S. 40th Street.
May, June, July : DR. S. R. SKILLERN, 120 S. 34th Street.
August, September, October : DR. W. C. DIXON, 4041 Market Street.
November, December, January : DR. S. S. STRYKER, 3625 Walnut Street.

Surgeon.

DR. F. F. MAURY, 1218 Walnut Street.

Consulting Physician.

DR. R. M. GIRVIN, 3924 Walnut Street.

Solicitor.

CHARLES CARVER, 707 Walnut Street.

Superintendent.

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Matron.

MRS. E. SEENYARD.

Assistant Matron.

MISS KATE WELSH.

Nurse.

MRS. ANN DEVOR.

Teacher.

MISS TOLAND.

Assistant Teacher.

MRS. PINE.

STANDING COMMITTEES FOR 1875.

Standing Committee.

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MRS. DICK,	MISS MARY F. LEX.
MISS MERRICK,	MRS. WM. LIPPINCOTT,
MRS. J. DUNDAS LIPPINCOTT.	

Committee on Admission and Dismission.

Meets at Lincoln Institution, 308 S. 11th Street, every Tuesday, at 11 A. M.

MRS. F. A. DICK, <i>Chairman</i> ,	MRS. PETTIT,
MRS. EVAN RANDOLPH, <i>Sec.</i>	MISS WAGNER,
MISS H. F. RANDOLPH,	MRS. GEORGE R. JUSTICE,
MISS MERRICK,	MISS ISRAEL,
MISS E. W. KEY,	MRS. HARDIE,
	MRS. JONES.

And the following Councillors:

B. G. GODFREY,	W. H. MERRICK,
	W. H. LEX.

Committee on Education.

Meets at the Home, on the day of the stated meeting, at 10 A. M.

MRS. WM. LIPPINCOTT, <i>Chairman</i> .	MRS. C. S. WURTS.
MRS. CLARK, <i>Sec.</i>	MRS. S. R. MORGAN,
MRS. G. T. ROBERTS,	MISS BURROUGHS,
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MRS. CLAY,	MISS MARY F. LEX,
	MISS FOSTER,

Household Committee.

Meets at the Home, every last Wednesday in the month, at 11 A. M.

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MRS. J. D. LIPPINCOTT, <i>Asst. Chair'n</i> .	MRS. H. C. GIBSON,
MRS. ED. LOWBER, <i>Sec.</i>	MISS E. C. ROBERTS,
MISS F. A. ROBERTS,	MRS. ALLEN,
MISS TROTTER,	MISS CADWALADER,
	MISS HOOPES.

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	MISS LEX.

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MISS COXE, <i>Librarian.</i>	MISS LEX,
MRS. H. C. GIBSON,	MISS TROTTER,
MISS BURROUGHS,	MRS. ED. LOWBER,
MISS E. C. ROBERTS.	

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MRS. CLARK,	MRS. S. R. MORGAN,
MRS. H. C. GIBSON,	MRS. R. T. JONES,
MRS. EVAN RANDOLHH.	

CONSULTING COMMITTEES FOR 1875.

Standing Committee.

Meets the first Wednesday after the stated monthly meeting of the
Managers.

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FRANKLIN A. DICK, <i>Sec.</i>	HENRY LEWIS.
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REPORT OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS.

IN accordance with our charter we have published two previous annual reports, which gave however only an account of the plan and progress of our building. Its positive *work* having only begun 1st December, 1873, this is in reality our first annual account of what has been accomplished in the object for which we were organized. The Admission Committee report that since we commenced receiving children, just thirteen months ago, 146 have been admitted: of this number 47 were from the Soldiers' Home; 49 State Soldiers' Orphans, transferred from the Lincoln Institution; 42 received on donations or scholarships given or collected by the managers; 8 partially paid for by their guardians; 30 have been returned to the Lincoln Institution and placed in situations; 4 sent back to their friends; 1 died (Thomas Gordon an invalid when admitted, mentioned in last report), and 1 adopted; leaving at present in the Institution, 110 boys. Although we have had some very young children under our care, with the exception of 27 cases of measles last winter, all of which recovered without leaving any bad effects, the health of the children has been wonderfully good. Finding the utter impossibility of keeping the feet of the children dry while playing out of doors where there was no pavement, we last spring, through the liberality of a few friends, bricked all our playground, and built a large playhouse at the end of the yard, which has contributed greatly to the pleasure of the children, as well as to the general tidiness of the house. In May last the plan was commenced of baking our own bread. Finding it so very much better, as well as more economical, we decided to serve the Lincoln Institution also, which we were enabled to do at the rate of $4\frac{1}{2}$ cents per pound, including portorage, allowing us a small profit, at the same time it being to them a saving of $\frac{1}{2}$ cent per pound on the price

usually paid the baker. During the eight months our bakery has been in operation, we have baked 139 barrels of flour.

Through the gift of a fine horse from one of the managers, and two carriages from two different councillors, we have done away with our express bill, besides finding the horse useful for plowing and other work. We have cultivated three acres of ground, raised 130 bushels of potatoes, 50 bushels of tomatoes, onions, carrots, herbs, turnips, cabbages and other vegetables.

Our numbers have increased so rapidly that the room assigned by us for a chapel has become too small; the bakery accommodations being also too contracted, the necessity of some improvement was so apparent to those interested in our work, that they have willingly contributed the amount necessary to make the addition now in course of erection at the rear of the building, for the plans of which we are indebted to Messrs. Collins & Audenreid. The structure is under roof and we hope to have it completed in the course of a few weeks, and to consecrate our chapel on Tuesday of Easter week. This consecration will be most appropriate when we remember that the gifts for this purpose have for the greater part been in memory of some dear relative or friend.

All the chancel furniture is presented by one whose gentle patience in much sickness proves the sincerity of her love for Him who does not willingly afflict. The large fine organ is in memory of two loved grandsons called early to their heavenly home, but whose names will be hereafter associated by many an orphan boy with the hymns of praise, the sounds of which may be permitted to mingle, as do theirs, with those of the redeemed.

There are to be seven large stained glass memorial windows, representing The Nativity, The Holy Family, The Flight into Egypt, Christ disputing with the Doctors, Christ Blessing Little Children, The Resurrection, and The Good Shepherd.

This Memorial Chapel, to be used for generations to come in training those children whom Providence has placed in the care of the Home, is certainly a most enduring monument, as well as a most acceptable offering of loving submission to the Divine Will, and we trust that the pure feelings that have prompted its erection, will perpetuate a blessing to this Institution, making it ever a happy Christian Home for all who

may be gathered within its walls, and extending its influence to all those interested in its work.

Through the courtesy of the Camden and Atlantic Railroad our officers and older boys, together with the pupils of the Burd Orphan Asylum of St. Stephen's Church, and the officers and boys of the Lincoln Institution, made an excursion to Atlantic City on the 12th September last, a day long to be remembered by all as one of much enjoyment. The festivities of Thanksgiving Day and Christmas, were a great success; the expenses of the former were defrayed by our ever true and liberal friend, Mr. Lemuel Coffin, those of the latter by our managers, councillors, and other friends; the pupils of the Lincoln Institution as usual uniting with us on both occasions.

We would tender our most sincere thanks to those members of the Orpheus Club who gave us so successful an entertainment on the grounds of the Divinity School last spring; and also gratefully acknowledge the receipt of \$1000 from the estate of Mr. Jesse George, thus enabling us to provide for several more children. We have again to thank our generous friend, Mr. John P. Brock, for another very acceptable donation of 100 tons of coal. Our thanks are also due Mr. J. T. Gallagher, for a handsome set of harness; to the ladies of Dr. Furness' Church, for 1200 neatly made garments; and to Mr. Joseph Jeanes for a handsome piano.

But while we have so much to be thankful for, we have also met with a severe loss in the death of one of our earliest and most zealous managers, Mrs. William Harmar. To her warm heart and generous sympathy we are indebted for much of the early success of the Home, on whose behalf she was never weary in using her influence with others, or of contributing her own means to its requirements. Her memory will linger long in the hearts of those whom she cheered and strengthened by her confidence and affection.

We have to record our continued satisfaction with our building, its plans meet our wants so well that after a year's trial we can suggest no improvement.

Much attention has been given to the educational department under its efficient chairman and her committee. With three competent and experienced teachers our school has attained a high standing, and on the authority of the State Committee we have the pleasure of announcing, that at the annual examina-

tion its averages were as high as those of any in the state which had for the same length of time existed.

The Library Committee report the donation of 100 additional books, making in all, 600 volumes. They are much used by the older boys, and contributions of new or second-hand books are always most acceptable.

The Rev. H. C. Mayer is still faithful in his ministrations at the Home; the children attend his Sunday-school, at Trinity Church, Maylandville, in the afternoon, and church at St. Mary's, West Philadelphia, in the morning.

We are indebted to our medical staff for efficient and prompt attention at all hours when required. Our Superintendent, Matrons, Teachers, and Nurse give entire satisfaction, the Institution being so thoroughly organized as to give us but little care. Although our hearts are sorely tried by constant appeals to our sympathies, we steadily pursue the plan of receiving no more children than we can see our way clear to support and educate properly, and we hope our subscriptions this year will be so increased, that we may be able to establish many new scholarships. By thus appropriating our contributions towards the support of individual children, our friends are at all times able to see the good results accomplished through their generosity.

On the eve of closing our report we have had the gratification of receiving from our faithful friend and councillor, Mr. I. V. Williamson, another handsome gift of \$10,000, for the endowment of six additional scholarships. For this testimony of his confidence in our management, in itself a great encouragement to us, we desire to express our sincere thanks, as well as for the substantial aid given us by this unexpected and liberal donation.

Thanking most warmly all who have aided us in any way, and pledging ourselves to be earnest in our endeavors to be faithful stewards of this public trust, we commence this new year with thankful hearts for the past, trusting to the confidence of the benevolent for the future, and to our Heavenly Father for grace and wisdom to continue the important work committed to us.

By order of the Board of Managers,

MARY F. LEX,
Secretary.

REPORT

OF THE

TREASURER OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS.

MARY N. HOWELL, *Treasurer, in account with "The Educational Home for Boys," for the year 1874.*

DR.

To Balance for Special Fund from 1873,	\$750 00	
" " " Current Expenses from 1873,	293 79	
	<hr/>	1,043 79
" Lincoln Institution, for Soldiers' Orphans,	1,309 23	
" Board Money,	82 00	
" Donations,	145 00	
" Scholarships,	402 00	
" Treasurer of Board of Council,	6,000 00	
" Interest on St. Louis Investment,	207 94	
" " from Fidelity Trust Co.,	53 86	
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" Donations for Special Fund,		2,151 55
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		<u>\$11,395 37</u>

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By Provisions,	\$667 48
" Groceries,	362 22
" Milk,	148 51
" Butter,	75 40
" Flour and Bread,	667 50
" Water Rent,	17 00
" Gas,	70 15
" Medicine,	36 19
" Furniture and Household Articles,	305 69
" Books, Stationery and Printing,	206 67
" Shoes and Findings,	409 78
" Carpenter Work,	55 77
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Carried forward,	3,022 36

Brought forward,	.	.	.	\$3,022	36	
By Salaries and Wages,	.	.	.	1,143	86	
" Dry Goods,	.	.	.	1,342	18	
" Incidentals,	.	.	.	125	93	
						5,634 33
" Cash for Sundry Improvements from Special Fund,	.	.	.			1,545 74
" Balance of Current Expense Account paid to new Treasurer, May 26, 1874,	.	.	.	2,859	49	
" Balance of Special Fund Account paid to new Treasurer, May 26, 1874,	.	.	.	1,355	81	
						4,215 30
						<u>\$11,395 37</u>

Vouchers examined and found correct.

WM. LIPPINCOTT,
Auditor.

PHILADELPHIA, May 24, 1874.

SARAH C. ROBERTS, *Treasurer, in account with "The Educational Home for Boys," for the year 1874.*

1874.

DR.

May 26. To Balance for Current Expenses from former Treasurer,	.	.	.	\$2,859	49	
To Balance for Special Fund from former Treasurer,	.	.	.	1,355	81	
						4,215 30
To Lincoln Institution for Soldier's Orphans,	.	.	.	3,354	23	
To Soldier's Home for education and maintenance of three boys for ten years,	.	.	.	3,000	00	
To Interest from Mortgages,	.	.	.	1,350	00	
" " " Ground Rents,	.	.	.	547	50	
" " " Deposits in Bank,	.	.	.	53	75	
" Board Money from Boys,	.	.	.	474	43	
" Cash Donations,	.	.	.	550	00	
" Lincoln Institution for Bread,	.	.	.	611	50	
" Scholarships,	.	.	.	700	86	
						10,642 27
" Donations for Special Purposes,	.	.	.			1,320 56
						<u>\$16,178 13</u>

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By Cash to Treasurer of Board of Council, for Investment, . . .		\$3,000 00
By Bread furnished Lincoln Institution,		611 50
By Salaries and Wages,	\$2,584 53	
" Dry Goods,	910 93	
" Groceries,	789 62	
" Provisions,	1,452 86	
" Flour and Bread,	549 42	
" Butter,	198 32	
" Milk,	250 38	
" Shoes and Findings,	488 72	
" Medicine,	36 30	
" Household Articles,	123 18	
" Carpenter Work,	217 57	
" Plumbing and Gas Fitting,	50 77	
" Ice,	5 49	
" Gas,	116 39	
" Insurance on Furniture,	6 00	
" Books, Stationery and Printing,	120 43	
" Hardware,	245 39	
" Furnace repairs,	102 68	
" Painting,	104 84	
" Incidentals,	241 81	
" Horse Feed,	67 30	
" Gardening and Farming,	209 22	
	<hr/>	8,872 15
" Special cash donations towards enlargement of Trinity Chapel, Maylandville,	100 00	
" Cash expended from Special Fund, for paving yard and building Play House,	1,512 00	
" Balance of Special Fund transferred to Treasurer of Board of Council, per order of Board,	1,064 37	
	<hr/>	2,676 37
Dec. 31. " Cash balance on hand,		1,018 11
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		<u>\$16,178 13</u>

Vouchers examined and found correct.

WM. LIPPINCOTT,
BENJ. G. GODFREY,
Com. of Auditors.

PHILADELPHIA, *January 20, 1874.*

Jan. 21st, 1875. Received from Mr. I. V. Williamson, \$9,850 in Ground Rents, to endow six Scholarships.

CURRENT EXPENSES

FOR THE YEAR 1874.

Salaries and Wages,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	\$3,728 39
Dry Goods,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	2,253 11
Groceries,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1,151 84
Provisions,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	2,120 34
Flour and Bread,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1,216 92
Butter,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	273 72
Milk,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	398 89
Shoes and Findings,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	898 50
Medicine,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	72 49
Household Articles,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	428 87
Carpenter Work,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	273 34
Plumbing and Gas Fitting,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	50 77
Ice,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	5 49
Gas,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	186 54
Water Rent,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	17 00
Insurance on Furniture,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	6 00
Books, Stationery and Printing,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	327 10
Hardware,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	245 39
Furnace repairs,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	102 68
Painting,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	104 84
Incidentals,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	367 74
Horse Feed,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	67 30
Gardening and Farming,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	209 22

\$14,506 48

Average number of boys in the Institution during the year, 107.

Cost of maintaining each boy for one year, . . . \$135 57

SCHOLARSHIPS FOR 1874.

THOMAS GORDON SCHOLARSHIP.

THROUGH MISS MARY H. TROTTER.

Mr. and Mrs. James Hopkins,	.	.	.	.	.	\$10 00
Mrs. George Woodward,	20 00
" Henry G. Gibson,	50 00
Miss C. Johnston,	20 00
" M. Coxe,	5 00
" Paxson,	5 00
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						<u>\$110 00</u>

WILLIAM MADELY SCHOLARSHIP.

THROUGH MISS C. C. BIDDLE'S BIBLE CLASS.

Mr. John Bradford,	\$26 00
" Joshua Madely,	26 00
" Robert Pilling,	26 00
Mrs. Hannah Madely,	26 00
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						<u>\$104 00</u>

GEN. GEORGE G. MEADE SCHOLARSHIP.

THROUGH MRS. F. A. DICK.

Acknowledged in Annual Report for 1873,	.	.	.	\$59 00
Rev. G. J. Burton,	.	.	.	20 00
Miss Mary Williamson,	.	.	.	20 00
Mrs. Samuel Toby,	.	.	.	5 00
" George Burton,	.	.	.	5 00
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				<u>\$109 00</u>

HARTLEY MERRICK SCHOLARSHIP.

THROUGH MISS LAURA T. MERRICK.

Mrs. S. V. Merrick,	\$125 00
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OTIS K. DICK SCHOLARSHIP.

THROUGH MRS. F. A. DICK.

Mrs. F. A. Dick,	\$104 00
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THOMAS H. TROTTER SCHOLARSHIP.

THROUGH MISS McHENRY.

Mrs. R. D. Wood,	\$10 00
" Evan Randolph,	5 00
" Jacob Carver,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	5 00
" C. S. Wurts,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	5 00
" G. T. Roberts,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	5 00
" Floyd White,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	5 00
" T. Price,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	5 00
" M. McMichael, Jr ,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	5 00
" G. L. Harrison, Jr.,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	5 00
" M. C. Brooks,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	5 00
" E. H. Trotter,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	5 00
" C. Gibbons,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	5 00
Miss H. F. Biddle,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	5 00
" H. F. Randolph,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	5 00
Mr. William P. Jenks,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	10 00
" A. B. Carver,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	5 00
" S. Carver,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	5 00
" W. H. Trotter,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	5 00
" C. W. Trotter,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	5 00

\$105 00

ALONZO POTTER SCHOLARSHIP.

THROUGH MISS ISRAEL.

Collection taken at St. Stephen's Church,	.	.	.	.	.	.	\$60 39
" " Trinity Chapel, Maylandville,	.	.	.	.	.	.	17 47
Rt. Rev. William H. Odenheimer,	.	.	.	.	.	.	10 00
Mrs Lemuel Coffin,	5 00
" A. Barker,	5 00
" P. Blakiston,	5 00
Miss Laura T. Merrick,	2 00

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WILLIAM PENN SCHOLARSHIP.

THROUGH MISS MARY H. TROTTER.

Mrs. Wood,	\$25 00
" Evan Randolph,	15 00
" E. Y. Townsend,	10 00
" J. E. Thomson,	10 00
" William P. Jenks,	5 00
" Charles Gibbons,	5 00
" Stephen Morris,	5 00
" T. H. Powers,	5 00
Miss Newlin,	2 00
Mr. C. W. Trotter,	10 00
" J. H. Trotter,	5 00
" William H. Trotter,	5 00
" William P. Jenks,	5 00
" J. S. Jenks,	5 00
" J. G. Rosengarten,	5 00
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	<u>\$117 00</u>

SAMUEL V. COPE SCHOLARSHIP.

THROUGH MISS LAURA T. MERRICK.

Miss Laura T. Merrick,	\$104 00
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SAMUEL V. MERRICK SCHOLARSHIP.

THROUGH MISS LAURA T. MERRICK.

Miss Lucy W. Merrick,	\$104 00
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CHURCH OF THE INCARNATION SCHOLARSHIP.

THROUGH REV. JOSEPH D. NEWLIN.

Mr. P. P. Morris,	\$10 00
" George Wood,	5 00
" R. T. Cook,	5 00
Cash,	31 00
Mrs. Amos Ellis,	10 00
" Charles Ellis,	5 00
Miss Ella Ellis,	1 00
" Anna Black,	1 00
Mrs. H. B. Engard,	5 00
Miss Demuth,	2 00
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	<u>\$75 00</u>

Balance of subscriptions will be announced in next annual report.

NAMES OF PUPILS UNDER SCHOLARSHIPS.

In Memoriam.

SCHOLARSHIP.	NAME OF PUPIL.
ARTHUR DICK,	Robert M. Packer,
LULIE W. STONE,	Charles E. Packer.
JAMES C. FISHER, JR.,	John Francis Brandwith.
J. FINLEY WILLIAMSON,	Charles Franklin Bumpus.
S. DRAPER LEWIS,	Charles Johnston.
CLIFFORD S. PHILLIPS,	Richard Wood.
GEN. GEORGE G. MEADE,	Harry Mason Bumpus.
SAMUEL V. COPE,	John Gordon Armstrong.
SAMUEL V. MERRICK,	H. R. Hurst.
HARTLEY MERRICK,	John Marshall.
OTIS K. DICK,	Victor Hamilton.
WILLIAM PENN,	Robert Ernest McCormick.
ALONZO POTTER,	Harold Hamilton.
THOMAS GORDON,	Charles Laurence.
WILLIAM MADELY,	Robert Meeks.
THOMAS H. TROTTER,	Robert W. Powers.
WEST CHESTER,	Samuel Talge.
CHURCH OF THE INCARNATION,	Elmer Herbert Butler.
HOLY TRINITY,	Howard Noble.

REPORT

OF THE

TREASURER OF THE BOARD OF COUNCIL.

JAMES N. STONE, *in account with "The Educational Home for Boys,"*
for the year, 1874.

DR.

To Balance, from 1873,		\$6,532, 03
" Interest from Mortgage,	\$207 94	
" Third and Fourth Instalments of State Appropriation,	5,000 00	
" Donation from Estate of Jesse George, deceased,	500 00	
" Interest from bonds,	35 00	
" Life Memberships,	200 00	
" Subscriptions towards Building Fund,	1,275 00	
" Interest on deposits in Bank,	155 13	
	7,373 07	
		\$13,905 10

CR.

By Cash paid Treasurer of Board of Managers, per order of Board,	\$6,000 00	
" Cash paid Treasurer of Board of Trustees,	2,983 91	
" Cash paid J. B. Moorhead, being amount advanced by him,	2,500 00	
" Yarnall & Cooper on account of extra work on Building,	1,683 58	
" Interest paid Treasurer of Board of Managers,	207 94	
" Printing and Advertising,	15 45	
" Gas Fixtures,	10 00	
	13,400 88	
June 4. By Balance paid new Treasurer,	504 22	
		\$13,905 10

Accounts examined and found correct.

PHILADELPHIA, June 4, 1874.

WILLIAM H. MERRICK,
G. THEO. ROBERTS,
Auditors.

G. THEO. ROBERTS, *Treasurer, in account with "The Educational Home for Boys," for the year 1874.*

DR.

June 4. To Cash balance from former Treasurer,		\$504 22
" Subscriptions towards Building Fund,	\$220 00	
" Interest from Ground Rents,	521 25	
" " " Mortgages,	1,350 00	
" " " Bank deposits,	17 49	
" Proceeds from sale of two bonds of South Mountain Iron Co.,	700 00	
" Cash from Treasurer of Board of Managers, for investment,	3,000 00	
" Balance of Special Fund, from Treasurer of Board of Managers,	1,064 37	
" Subscriptions towards enlargement of Trinity Chapel, Maylandville,	186 00	
" Cash donations,	170 00	
" Subscriptions towards Building Fund of New Chapel,	2,472 00	
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		\$10,205 33

CR.

By Recording Deed,	\$3 25
" Stamped Check Book,	2 00
" Cash invested in three \$1000 Cat-awissa new 7 per ct. Bonds,	3,015 00
" Cash for Christmas Festival,	35 00
" Interest from Ground Rents, paid to Treasurer Board of Managers,	521 25
" Interest from Mortgages paid to Treasurer Board of Managers	1,350 00
" Cash paid to Treasurer of Trinity Chapel, Maylandville,	186 00
" Iron Window Guards,	96 23
" Iron Hand Rail to Loft,	18 54
" Repairs to Forty-Ninth Street,	51 60
" Stone Flagging in Yard,	310 90
" Yarnall & Cooper in full, for balance of extra work on Building,	1,000 00
" Painting Play House,	101 20
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Carried forward,	\$6,690 97

Brought forward,	.	.	\$6,690	97	
By Painting Yard Fence,	.	.	45	49	
" Stable and Wagon House,	.	.	107	34	
" Market Wagon,	.	.	42	00	
" Sundries,	.	.	16	00	
					6,901 80
" Building Stone for New Chapel,	.	.	404	17	
" Brick,	"	"	148	30	
" Door Sills,	"	"	9	25	
" Stone Tablet,	"	"	10	00	
" Lime,	"	"	99	18	
" Lumber,	"	"	65	00	
" Plumbing,	"	"	65	91	
" Labor,	"	"	863	26	
					1,665 07
Dec. 31. " Cash balance on hand,	.	.			1,638 46
					<u>\$10,205 33</u>

Vouchers examined and found correct.

WM. LIPPINCOTT,
 BENJ. G. GODFREY,
Auditing Committee.

PHILADELPHIA, *January 20, 1875.*

DONATIONS FOR SPECIAL PURPOSES DURING THE YEAR 1874.

FOR IMPROVEMENT OF PLAY GROUND AND BUILDING PLAY HOUSE.

From Entertainment given at Amateur Drawing	
Room, through Mrs. J. D. Lippincott, .	\$578 00
From Concert given at Divinity School grounds,	306 08
From sale of guns, through Mrs. E. Randolph,	400 00
Mr. Alex. Brown, through Miss McHenry,	100 00
Mr. Isaac Lea, " " "	100 00
Mr. A. J. Drexel, " " "	100 00
Mr. E. H. Fitler, " " "	100 00
Mr. Howard Roberts, " " "	50 00
Mrs. S. V. Merrick, " " "	50 00
Mr. H. C. Gibson, through Mrs. H. C. Gibson,	250 00
Miss E. C. Roberts,	50 00
Mrs. Bartol,	50 00
	\$2,134 08

FOR ENLARGEMENT OF TRINITY CHAPEL, MAYLANDVILLE.

Mr. J. Vaughan Merrick,	\$10 00
Mr. William H. Merrick,	10 00
Mr. F. A. Dick,	20 00
Mr. William H. Lex,	5 00
Mr. B. G. Godfrey,	10 00
Mr. Lemuel Coffin,	10 00
Mr. J. B. Moorhead,	10 00
Mr. N. P. Shortridge,	10 00
Mr. George W. Childs,	10 00
Mr. John E. Cope,	5 00
Mr. H. C. Townsend,	10 00
Mr. S. Shepherd,	10 00
Messrs. A. Whitney & Sons,	10 00
Cash,	1 00
Miss Lucy W. Merrick,	60 00
Miss Laura T. Merrick,	30 00
Miss Mary McHenry,	15 00
Miss E. C. Roberts,	15 00
Miss F. A. Roberts,	10 00

Carried forward, \$261 00 **\$2,134 08**

	Brought forward,	\$261 00	\$2,134 08
Miss Mary F. Lex,	.	5 00	
Mrs. G. T. Roberts,	.	5 00	
Mrs. F. A. Dick,	.	5 00	
Mrs. H. C. Gibson,	.	10 00	
			\$286 00

FOR MEETING DEFICIENCY IN BUILDING FUND.

Miss Lucy W. Merrick,	.	\$250 00	
Mr. William H. Merrick,	.	100 00	
Mr. J. B. Moorhead,	.	100 00	
Mr. H. C. Gibson,	.	100 00	
Mr. I. V. Williamson,	.	100 00	
Mr. James N. Stone,	.	50 00	
Mr. P. Roberts,	.	50 00	
Mr. G. T. Roberts,	.	50 00	
Mr. A. J. Drexel,	.	50 00	
Mr. J. V. Merrick,	.	50 00	
Mr. H. C. Townsend,	.	50 00	
Mr. F. A. Dick,	.	50 00	
Mr. B. G. Godfrey,	.	50 00	
Mr. S. Shepherd,	.	50 00	
Mr. F. S. Hoffman,	.	50 00	
Mr. William P. Jenks,	.	50 00	
Mr. Henry Lewis,	.	50 00	
Mr. Charles Gibbons,	.	50 00	
Mr. Joseph G. Rosengarten,	.	25 00	
Mr. M. A. Wurts,	.	25 00	
Mr. Lewis Waln Smith,	.	25 00	
Mr. James S. Whitney,	.	25 00	
Mr. William H. Lex,	.	25 00	
Mr. William Lippincott,	.	25 00	
Mr. R. S. Howell,	.	25 00	
Mr. B. A. Knight,	.	20 00	
			\$1,495 00

FOR NEW CHAPEL FUND.

From Concert given at Divinity School grounds,	\$123 00	
Cash,	2 00	
Mr. R. S. Howell,	250 00	
Miss E. C. Roberts,	100 00	
Miss Laura T. Merrick,	300 00	
Miss C. Johnston, through Miss McHenry,	100 00	
Mr. James S. Whitney,	50 00	
Mr. J. V. Merrick,	100 00	
Mrs. Ellwood Davis, through Miss McHenry,	100 00	
Miss Mary Gibson,	100 00	
Carried forward,	\$1,225 00	\$3,915 08

	Brought forward,	\$1,225 00	\$3,915 08
Mr. William Harmar,	.	250 00	
Mr. Henry C. Gibson,	.	250 00	
Mrs. F. A. Dick,	.	100 00	
Mr. J. P. Jones, through Mrs. R. T. Jones,	.	100 00	
Mrs. M. Phillips,	" " "	50 00	
Gen. E. B. Grubb, through Mrs. R. S. Howell,	.	125 00	
Mr. E. Browning,	" " "	150 00	
Mr. N. Brown,	" " "	50 00	
Miss M. T. Lewis, through Miss McHenry,	.	30 00	
Miss M. Coles,	" " "	100 00	
Mrs. H. P. McKean,	" " "	250 00	
Mrs. Adolph Borie,	" " "	20 00	
Mr. D. B. Cummings,	" " "	100 00	
Mr. Alexander Biddle,	" " "	100 00	
Mr. William H. Hart,	" " "	100 00	
Mr. William Massey,	" " "	50 00	
Mr. C. L. Borie,	" " "	100 00	
Mr. A. J. Drexel,	" " "	100 00	
Mr. John Clayton,	" " "	100 00	
			<hr/> \$3,350 00

FOR FURNISHING BOYS' READING ROOM.

Mrs. S. V. Merrick, through Mrs. G. T. Roberts,	\$20 00
Mrs. J. D. Lippincott,	" " " 15 00
Mrs. H. C. Gibson,	" " " 15 00
Mrs. William Harmar,	" " " 5 00
Mrs. Evan Randolph,	" " " 10 00
Mrs. E. C. Roberts,	" " " 5 00
Mrs. G. Theo. Roberts,	" " " 23 30
Miss S. Gorgas,	" " " 25 00
Miss Mary Gibson,	" " " 16 00
Miss E. C. Roberts,	" " " 5 00
Miss L. T. Merrick,	" " " 10 00
Miss C. Johnston,	" " " 10 00
Miss Burroughs,	" " " 5 00
Miss Mary McHenry,	" " " 5 00
Miss E. W. Lowber,	" " " 20 00
"In Memoriam," through Miss McHenry,	. 25 00
	<hr/> \$214 30

FOR SUNDRY PURPOSES.

Miss C. Johnston, to defray funeral expenses of	
Thomas Gordon,	. \$100 00
Mrs. S. V. Merrick, leggings for boys,	. 25 00
Mrs. S. V. Merrick, pot plants,	. 3 00

Carried forward, \$128 00 \$7,479 38

	Brought forward,	\$128 00	\$7,479 38
Mr. B. H. Bartol, towards Thanksgiving and Christmas dinners,	.	50 00	
Mrs. H. C. Gibson, flowers,	.	5 00	
Mrs. G. Theo. Roberts, sundries for school rooms,	.	29 31	
Mr. A. Barker, through Miss McHenry,	.	10 00	
Mr. A. Johnston, " " "	.	50 00	
Mr. J. L. Bailey, " " "	.	20 00	
Mr. H. McIlvain, " " "	.	5 00	
Mr. H. B. Sharpe, London, England, through Miss McHenry,	.	55 00	
Mrs. S. V. Merrick, through Miss L. T. Merrick,	.	15 00	
Interest, through Miss McHenry,	.	8 55	
Cash, " " "	.	33 55	
" R., " " "	.	50 00	
Mrs. Wm. J. Lowber, through Mrs. E. Lowber,	.	5 00	
Miss Emma Lowber, " " "	.	5 00	
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CASH DONATIONS FOR 1874.

Society of Engineers, Machinists, Smiths, &c.,	.	\$10 00
Mr. H. B. Ashmead, through Miss McHenry,	.	5 00
Cash, " " "	.	5 00
Mrs. Hartman Kuhn, through Miss Israel,	.	50 00
Mrs. R. T. Jones,	.	25 00
Mrs. Bartol,	.	50 00
George B. Wood, M. D., through Miss McHenry,	.	50 00
Estate of Jesse George, deceased,	.	500 00
Philadelphia and Reading, Connecting, and West Chester Railroads, freight on 100 tons coal,	.	214 01
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		<u>\$909 01</u>

DONATIONS FOR 1874.

One portable hat rack, 1 galvanized dish-pan, 1 egg beater, child's tray, sink scrub, 3 coffee pots, 3 canisters, 2 brushes, 1 large tin cracker box, 2 toasting racks, 1 biscuit pan, set of wooden boxes, and quantity of small hardware, from Austin & Opdyke; 6 dressing wrappers, from the Misses Roberts; set of epaulets for boys, from Mrs. Jas. Dundas Lippincott; 6 dressing wrappers, from

Miss Trotter; picture of Bishop White, from Mrs. F. S. Hoffman; 4½ dozen lemons, from Miss McHenry; 10 bushels of turnips, from Mrs. Harmar; 4 dozen lemons, from Mrs. Evan Randolph; 6 dozen oranges, from Mrs. J. D. Lippincott; 4 dozen oranges, lemons, and candy, from Mrs. R. Pettit; candy and 2 dozen lemons, from Mrs. Roberts; 3 dozen oranges, from Miss McHenry; 1 dozen oranges, 1 dozen lemons, from Mrs. H. C. Gibson; 6 pounds candy, 1 dozen oranges, from Miss Mary Lex; nursery scrap book, from Miss Fannie Lex; 2 dozen oranges and lemons, from Mrs. Justice; 1 box oranges, from Mrs. Wm. Lippincott; 1 bottle brandy, 2 dozen oranges, from Mrs. J. D. Lippincott; afghan for nursery, from Mrs. S. V. Merrick; canary bird and cage, from Mrs. H. C. Gibson; large room in fourth story furnished and fitted up as nursery and play room for the younger children, by Mrs. Hoffman, Miss Trotter, Mrs. Gibson, Miss Lex, Mrs. Wurts, Mrs. Morgan, Mrs. Jones, and Mrs. Randolph; lamp reflectors, 1 piece of muslin, Mrs. H. C. Gibson; 1 piece of muslin, from Homer, Colladay & Co.; books, from Miss M. H. Trotter, Miss Burroughs, Mrs. H. C. Townsend, Miss McHenry, Miss M. H. Trotter (second donation), Miss M. F. Lex, Mrs. F. S. Hoffman, Master R. L. Howell, Mrs. Henry Lewis; badges, for members, from Miss E. C. Roberts; 2 badges for librarians, from Miss Burroughs; 1 year subscription to Centennial Magazine, from Mr. Henry Lewis; handsome clock and mantel ornaments, from Mrs. Taitt; \$25 worth of books, through Mr. M. A. Wurts; books formerly belonging to Thomas Gordon, from Mrs. Gordon; 1 stereoscope and pictures, Mrs. G. T. Roberts; books, from Miss Lamont; pictures for stereoscope, from Miss Trotter; scrap-book, from Mrs. N. Lawrence; books and toys, from Master Charlie Tingley; flowers, from Miss Merrick; 1 bottle of brandy, from Mrs. G. T. Roberts; handsome piano, from Joseph Jeanes; 1 piano cover, 4 dresses and hats, from Mrs. G. T. Roberts; 7 shares Centennial Stock, from Miss L. V. Carr; 1 large globe, from Mrs. A. P. Saunders; books, from a member of St. Mark's Church; books, from Mr. Louis Ball; 1 crumb-scraper, from a manager; 6 baskets of tomatoes, 2 baskets of onions, from Mrs. T. S. Ellis; tomatoes and pears, from the Misses Roberts; 1 hammer, 2 pairs of large strap hinges, 40 pound ten-penny nails, 4 pounds twenty-penny nails, from Field & Hardie; 112 bottles for catsup, from Mrs. James McHenry; 50 bottles, from Mrs. Brooks; 50 bottles, from Mrs. A. R. McHenry; 25 bottles, from Mrs. Wm. Lippincott; 45 books, 36 bottles, from Mr. Godfrey; 1 oil painting of a horse, from Mr. Newbold Trotter; 1 carpet, from Mrs. James McHenry; 13 kegs of nails for chapel, from Morris, Wheeler & Co.; 1 barrel of apples, from Mr. Moorhead; 1 barrel of apples, from Mitchell & Fletcher; 5 quarts of mixed mustard, 100 pounds flour, 1 bucket apple butter, from Mark Devine; 4 picture frames, from a manager; scroll work for play house, \$45 50, from R. R. Thomas & Co.; 2 hams, 10 pounds lard, from Cheesebrough & Co.; 68 pounds mince meat, from Mr. Atmore; 1 barrel apples, from Mr. Custer; 4 bundles celery, from Mr. Young; 1 barrel apples, 4 bun-

dles celery, 2 baskets sweet potatoes, 1 can tomatoes, 1 can peaches, 1 bottle chow chow, from Mr. Hinkson; 1 barrel apples, from Hendrickson & Brondenaten; $1\frac{1}{4}$ bushels cranberries, 25 pounds sugar, from Mr. Boyd; 4 baskets sweet potatoes, from Mr. Fulmer; 20 quarts of milk from Mr. Kestee; 3 dozen eggs, from Mr. Seldombridge; 2 turkeys, from Mrs. Clark; donation of large piece of oil cloth for vestibule, from M'Callum, Crease & Sloan; 1 carriage horse, from Mrs. J. D. Lippincott; 1 carriage, from Mr. J. V. Merrick; 1 wagon, from R.; candy for nursery, from Mrs. Pettit; toys, from Mrs. Wm. H. Trotter; set of harness, from R. P. Gallagher; 2 large cakes, from Mrs. Wm. Lippincott; 1 barrel apples, from Mr. Stevenson; 3 large church prayer books, 3 hymnals, from Claxton & Co.; 1200 garments, from Sewing Society of First Unitarian Church; 95 garments, made by Miss F. Lea; 144 garments, made by Managers; large Christmas tree, from Mrs. John Dick; decorations for the house, Christmas presents, and dinner to boys, officers and servants, from the Managers and Councillors; picture of Centennial Buildings, through Miss McHenry; 1 Germantown wagon, from Mr. Henry Lewis; signature to numerous official documents, from Alderman Robert R. Smith.

DONATIONS TO CHAPEL.

Twelve kegs nails, Morris, Wheeler & Co.; lumber, Harbert, Russel & Co.; carpet, E. F. & E. B. Orne; altar from Vestry of St. Stephen's Church; communion service, Robbins, Clark & Biddle; surplice and stole, Altar Society St. Mark's Church; table lecturn, bishop's chair, 2 stalls, communion rail, and tiling outer chancel floor, Miss Lucy W. Merrick; tiled floor for inside chancel, Mr. William Henry Lex and Mr. John M. Smiley; gas fixtures, Mrs. and Miss McHenry; altar cloth, Mrs. Potter and Miss Hall; donation box, Mrs. J. V. Merrick; memorial window, subject, Holy Family, Mrs. R. S. Howell; memorial window, Flight into Egypt, Mr. A. J. Drexel; memorial window, Christ Disputing with the Doctors, Mr. William Harmar; memorial window, Christ Blessing Little Children, Mrs. G. T. Roberts; memorial window, The Resurrection, Mrs. Jones; memorial chancel window, The Nativity, Miss Laura T. Merrick; memorial west window, The Good Shepherd, Miss Daniels and Miss A. Hockley; large organ, Mrs. Samuel V. Merrick; Memorial Tablets, Creed, Lord's Prayer, Ten Commandments, Mr. Jas. McHenry, London; 1 large pulpit Bible, 2 prayer books, 2 hymnals, J. B. Lippincott & Co; 3 large church prayer books, Claxton, Remsen & Haffelfinger; plush kneeling cushion for chancel rail, kneeling stools and extra border of tile floor from Mrs. H. C. Gibson.

LIFE MEMBERS.

SECTION 2D OF THE CHARTER.—Every person who shall pay annually to the Treasurer of the Corporation on or before the first Thursday of February, the sum of five dollars or upwards, shall be a member of the said Corporation; while each person who so contributes shall be entitled to a vote at the annual election of the Board of Managers and Board of Council. And every person who shall pay \$50 at one time, shall be a member for life, and entitled to all the privileges of membership.

Altemus, Joseph B.
 Baldwin, Mrs. M. L.
 Borie, C. L.
 Borie, Mrs. C. L.
 Baird, Matthew
 Brown, Alexander
 Brown, Mrs. Alexander
 Barton, Mrs. J. Rhea
 Baldwin, Mrs. S. C.
 Borie, H. P.
 Borie, Mrs. H. P.
 *Bohlen, John
 Bohlen, Mrs. John
 Brown, David S.
 Bartol, B. H.
 Bowen, Ezra
 Bowen, Mrs. Ezra
 Bohlen, Miss
 Bonbright, James
 Barnham, George
 Brock, John P.
 Brock, Mrs. John P.
 Clayton, John
 Clayton, Mrs. John
 Clay, Mrs. Harry G.
 Coxe, Miss Mary C.
 Claghorn, James L.
 *Campbell, Archibald
 Campbell, Mrs. Archibald
 Coffin, Lemuel

Coffin, Mrs. Lemuel
 Clark, E. W.
 Clark, Mrs. E. W.
 Cope, J. E.
 Cope, Mrs. J. E.
 Cummins, D. B.
 Cooke, Jay
 *Caldcleugh, W. G.
 Colladay, Wm. T.
 Childs, George W.
 Childs, Mrs. George W.
 Colket, Coffin
 Devine, Mark
 Drexel, A. J.
 Drexel, Mrs. A. J.
 Denniston, Mrs. Evans E.
 Dutilh, Charles
 Dutilh, Mrs. Charles
 *Dickson, Levi
 Darley, F. S.
 Darley, Mrs. F. S.
 Dick, Franklin A.
 Dick, Mrs. Franklin A.
 Ellis, T. H.
 Ellis, Mrs. T. H.
 Ellis, Mrs. William
 Franciscus, A. H.
 Franciscus, Mrs. A. H.
 Frazer, Persifer
 Fox, George

Fox, Mrs. George
 Frazer, Mrs. John
 Frazer, Miss Anne
 Gibson, Henry C.
 Gibson, Mrs. Henry C.
 Gibson, Miss Mary
 Godey, L. A.
 *Godey, Mrs. L. A.
 Godfrey, B. G.
 Harrison, Charles
 Harrison, Mrs. Charles
 Harmar, William
 *Harmar, Mrs. William
 Hoopes, Edward
 Hoopes, Barton
 *Harrison, Joseph, Jr.,
 Harrison, Mrs. Joseph, Jr.,
 Harrison, George L.
 Harrison, Mrs. George L.
 Hopkins, E. M.
 Hopkins, Mrs. E. M.
 Hood, Thomas G.
 Hoffman, F. S.
 Hoffman, Mrs. F. S.
 Havemeyer, Theodore A.
 Howe, Rt. Rev. M. A. de W.
 Howe, Mrs. M. A. de W.
 Henzey, William P.
 Israel, Miss Susan
 Johnston, Alexander
 Justice, Mrs. G. R.
 Jenks, W. P.
 Jessup, A. D.
 Jessup, Miss Clara
 Jeanes, Joshua
 Jeanes, Joseph
 Jaggar, Rev. T. A.
 Knight, E. C.
 Knight, Mrs. E. C.
 Kingsley, J. E.
 Kingsley, Mrs. J. E.
 Key, Mrs.
 Key, Miss E. W.
 Lea, Isaac
 Lardner, Mrs. John
 Lewis, Miss Mary
 Lewis, Miss Sarah
 Lewis, Miss E.

Lewis, Henry
 Lewis, Mrs. Henry
 Lex, Mrs. Charles E.
 Lex, Miss Mary F.
 Lex, Miss Fannie
 Lippincott, J. Dundas
 Lippincott, Mrs. J. Dundas
 Lippincott, William
 Lippincott, Mrs. William
 Lippincott, Joshua
 Lippincott, Mrs. Joshua
 Leamy, Miss A.
 Longstreth, Edward
 Lowber, Mrs. Edward
 Morris, Mrs. Rebecca T.
 Magee, James
 Magee, Mrs. James
 Morris, Theodore H.
 Morris, Frederick
 Morris, William H.
 Moore, Bloomfield
 Moore, Mrs. Bloomfield
 McKean, H. Pratt
 McKean, Mrs. H. Pratt
 Merrick, Mrs. S. V.
 Merrick, Miss E. H.
 Merrick, Miss L. T.
 Merrick, Miss Lucy W.
 Moorehead, William G.
 Moorehead, Mrs. William G.
 McHenry, Mrs. Jane
 McHenry, Miss Mary
 Moorhead, J. Barlow,
 Moorhead, Mrs. J. B.
 McCreary, J. B.
 McCreary, Mrs. J. B.
 Merrick, J. Vaughan
 Merrick, Mrs. J. Vaughan
 McHenry, James
 McHenry, Mrs. James
 McHenry, Miss C. M.
 McHenry, S. H.
 Meade, Mrs. George G.
 Moore, De Witt C.
 Morgan, Miss Virginia
 Powers, T. H.
 Powers, Mrs. T. H.
 Price, E. K.

Poultney, Charles W.
 Platt, Miss Helen A.
 Parry, Charles T.
 Pettit, Henry
 Packard, Charles W.
 Roberts, Miss E. C.
 Roberts, Miss F. A.
 Randolph, Miss Hannah F.
 *Roberts, Edward
 Ryerss, R. W.
 Randolph, Evan
 Randolph, Mrs. Evan
 Rosengarten, J. G.
 Roberts, George B.
 Roberts, Percival
 Roberts, Mrs. Percival
 Roberts, G. T.
 Roberts, Mrs. G. T.
 Reeves, S. G.
 Reeves, Mrs. S. G.
 Riegel, Jacob
 Rogers, Fairman
 Rogers, Mrs. Fairman
 Roberts, S. Brinton
 Roberts, Sidney, Jr.
 Roberts, Miss E.
 Roberts, Percival, Jr.
 Smith, Daniel
 *Smith, Mrs. Daniel
 Scott, Thomas A.
 Scott, Mrs. Thomas A.
 *Stephenson, William
 Smith, Thomas
 Swift, Joseph
 Shippen, Edward
 Shortridge, N. P.
 Shortridge, Mrs. N. P.
 Seybert, Henry

Stout, Mrs. E. H. L.
 Shepherd, S.
 Shepherd, Mrs. S.
 Sharpless, C. L.
 Sharpless, H. W.
 Smiley, J. McC.
 Stone, James N.
 Stone, Mrs. James N.
 Stone, James N., Jr.
 *Thomson, J. Edgar
 Thomson, Mrs. J. Edgar
 Thomas, Miss Jane
 Trotter, Charles W.
 Taitt, Mrs. J.
 Townsend, Henry C.
 Townsend, Mrs. Henry C.
 Turner, A. Paul, M.D.,
 Trevor, John B.
 Wheeler, Andrew
 Weightman, W.
 Weightman, Mrs. W.
 Wheeler, Charles
 Wheeler, Mrs. Charles
 Whitney, James S.
 Whitney, Mrs. James S.
 Welsh, John
 Williamson, Peter
 Williamson, I. V.
 Wood, George S., M.D.,
 Williamson, Miss Mary A.
 Williams, Edward H.
 Wood, R. Francis
 Windrim, James H.
 Wood, Mrs. S. C.
 Wurts, C. S., M.D.,
 Young, James T.
 Young, Mrs. James T.

Deceased.

MINUTES
OF THE
ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CONTRIBUTORS,
Held at the Lincoln Institution Feb. 4, 1875.

RT. REV. W. B. STEVENS, D.D., presided, and FRANKLIN A. DICK acted as Secretary. The meeting was opened by the President, by reading a portion of the Scriptures and prayer. The Reports of the Managers and Treasurers were read and adopted; 1000 copies of the same were ordered to be printed. Managers and Councillors, to serve for three years, were then elected. Hon. CHARLES GIBBONS was to have addressed the meeting, but was prevented by an important legal appointment from being present. Bishop STEVENS made an eloquent address, congratulating them upon the success of the work, and the good management shown in every department, which was calculated to inspire confidence in the whole community. When the public see that their means are so judiciously laid out, it will stimulate them to increase their contributions. He trusted the blessing of God would continue to rest on the enterprise. The meeting then adjourned.

APPENDIX.

COMMITTEES REPRESENTING SOLDIERS' HOME IN THE EDUCATIONAL HOME.

MANAGERS.

A. H. Franciscus, <i>Chairman</i> .	Charles Gibbons,
Walter Allison,	Henry C. Townsend,
William H. Merrick,	Franklin A. Dick,
Wm. Henry Lex.	

LADY VISITORS.

Miss McHenry, <i>Chairman</i> .	Miss E. C. Roberts,
Mrs. James Hardie,	Mrs. Justice,
Mrs. Dick,	Miss M. H. Trotter,
Miss L. T. Merrick,	Miss Lex,
Mrs. G. T. Roberts,	Mrs. Jones.

REPORT OF BOARD OF LADY VISITORS.

DECEMBER 31, 1874.

To the Board of Managers of the Soldiers' Home.

GENTLEMEN :—As our work for soldiers' children had only been in operation a few months at the end of 1873, we did not think it necessary to present a report at its close, and therefore date this from September 1st, 1873, to December 31st, 1874. Acting under the orders and instructions of your Board, we commenced receiving soldiers' children September 1st, 1873, into the building, 3947 Market street. We soon found the accommodations there totally unfit for the health or comfort of the boys, and were rejoiced when you notified us that arrangements had been made with the "Educational Home for Boys," to transfer our family there, which was done December 24th, 1873. The officers of this Board, and many of the visitors, being Managers there, we appointed them as the Admission Committee of the Lady Visitors of the Soldiers' Home. This committee report having received 46 boys up to December 31st, 1874. One was returned to his mother, on account of being imbecile, and unfit to be among other

boys. One having arrived at twelve years of age was transferred to the Lincoln Institution, and placed in a good situation. Three were accepted by the State as their pupils, and two (brothers), were returned to their father, who was unwilling to sign the necessary papers, one to his grandmother, and one to his mother; both of these last being accustomed to no restraint, would not obey the rules, and were therefore allowed to return home; making in all 9 dismissals, leaving at present on roll 38.

The children have enjoyed almost perfect health ever since they were transferred to the new home. They have advanced much in their education, and we feel that the work done in the care and training of these impoverished children of our brave soldiers will commend itself to every one who feels grateful to the defenders of their country. Several of these men have died in peace, since they were assured that their children should be cared for; and the Soldiers' Home now provides for those whom the State, with all its liberality, has not been able to reach—the children of living soldiers, who are disabled, or otherwise unable to provide for their families, and of the dead soldier, who, although he did not die in actual service, still served his country as faithfully as he whose life was sacrificed in the struggle.

We cannot close this report without calling your attention to the many applications now on file for admission—all of them cases of destitution; and it is heart rending to have to refuse them admittance. There is no home in the city willing to receive boys over six years of age or retain them over twelve years of age but the Soldiers' Home and the Educational Home; therefore, managers of other institutions are constantly sending applications to us. This winter will be a very trying one on the poor soldier and the soldier's widow, with no work, and their children wanting food and clothing. Adults can make their wants known, but children require care and education as well as food. We trust your Board will take this matter into serious consideration, and endeavor to make some arrangement to meet at least those cases now on file.

Very respectfully submitted,

MARY MCHENRY,
President of Board of Lady Visitors.

A S E R M O N

BY

REV. THOMAS A. JAGGAR, D.D.,

PREACHED AT THE

CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

SUNDAY, JANUARY 31, 1875,

ON BEHALF OF

THE EDUCATIONAL HOME FOR BOYS.

TAKE THIS CHILD AWAY, AND NURSE IT FOR ME, AND I WILL GIVE
THEE THY WAGES.—Ex. ii. 9.

Pharaoh feared that the rapid increase of the captive Israelites might ultimately enable them to throw off the yoke of their oppressors. He had therefore issued a cruel edict, which required that every male born unto them should be slain. But the enfeebling which neither expostulation nor arms would have availed to prevent, was averted by the pleading helplessness of an infant. Pharaoh chose that Israel should not be delivered from his hand; God, the Almighty, chose that the same Pharaoh, while seeming to have his own way, should be nursing Israel's deliverer in his own house. Pharaoh chose by a decree which seemed to insure his end, to perpetuate the captivity of the Hebrews; God chose by that very enactment to raise up their emancipator. The law of the Egyptian ruler was clothed in all the stern inflexible authority of despotic power. God's purpose (which was to be grander and more lasting than the pyramids) found expression in the tender pity of a woman's heart.

Great issues hinge upon what men call accidents. The king's daughter at the river side discovers floating there a little ark woven of the rushes. It is opened, and within appears a living, lovely babe. Her woman's nature is touched by its tears and helplessness. She exclaims, as she bends tenderly over it, "This is one of the Hebrew children." The remembrance of her father's cruel edict is awakened in her mind. The sobbing little one stretches out its arms for the shelter of a mother's warm caress, but *she* is thinking of dangers far worse than *that deprivation*—starvation, the Nile flood, and the crocodile. Had she obeyed the promptings of her Egyptian prejudices, she would have flung casket and child away into the rushing stream; those prejudices were strong, but her pity was stronger, and so she thought only how she might rescue it. A sister of the child who had lingered sadly in the distance to learn its fate, drew near when she saw the princess' gentle look. That casket contained a home treasure. It had been concealed from the king's officers until concealment was no longer possible. The ark of rushes was a mother's refuge from the worse agony of having her infant torn rudely from her grasp, and destroyed before her eyes. With a trembling, yet trusting heart, she had committed it to the Nile, and now her faith should be rewarded.

The princess was quick to accept the suggestion of the girl, that "she should call a nurse of the Hebrew women." The glad daughter hastens to summon the yet happier mother, and to her the welcome charge was given, "Take this child away and nurse it for me, and I will give thee wages."

Thus the child of the captive Levite came back to his mother's arms the son of Pharaoh's daughter. She little dreamed that in the name by which she called him, "Moses," signifying "drawn out," there was a prophecy which should be fatal to her father's tyranny. As he was drawn out of the flood, so by him was Israel to be drawn out of oppression, even through the threatening billows of the Red Sea—so was the world itself to be "*drawn out*" of ignorance and despair through the dispensation of the law, and led up by him to the heights of a nobler dispensation.

Now you will observe that the whole story, and all the far-

reaching issues of the life of Moses, turn upon the sentiment expressed in that single word "compassion." "She saw the child, and the babe wept, and behold she had compassion on him." Law, caste, pride, expediency, were against the rescue of the child, but "*compassion*" overcame them all, and the child was saved to its mother, to Israel, to the world.

We ask you to enter with us into this beautiful realm of feeling in which charity moves, and learn from a heathen woman the measure of *our* duty, whose incentives and privileges are so much grander. Consider :—

The object of her compassion ;
How her compassion worked ;
What it wrought.

I.

A babe in peril—exposed and suffering, was the spectacle which touched her heart. The beasts do not know pity. It is the divine distinction of man, that he can be touched with a fellow creature's pain. His soul, paralyzed by sin, does not uniformly (as God meant it to do) obey the feeling and move out in the *activities* of love, but there is nevertheless lingering under the most torpid natures, a point of sensitiveness, which to lose is to become quite literally brutal. This feeling is the more intense when the suffering which moves it is not that which direct guilt has deserved, or prudence could have averted.

The claims, therefore, of friendless children are imperative and paramount. They appeal to us by their very helplessness. Childhood deprived of its natural guardians, is of all conditions the most defenceless and exposed. But there is an orphanage worse than that which death makes—oh, that is sad enough—and the mournful tread of the little ones whom it has bereft never ceases. They crowd in endless train the courts of mercy's temple, but her kindest offices cannot supply the peculiar blessings they have lost ; and yet there are living deaths which make a worse bereavement. There is an orphanage which is even more distressing. It is that which *rum* causes, when it burns up natural affection in parents' hearts, and gives poison to babes with a mother's milk. It is that which *crime* causes when it visits the sins of the father upon the children, and turns them out into the world with

the brand of a parent's disgrace upon them. It is that which *avarice* causes, when it cuts off tender children from the sympathy of parents' hearts and surrenders them coldly, for a miserable greed of gain, to exposure and abuse. It is that which *licentiousness* causes, when it sets parentless little ones adrift upon the cold, tempestuous sea—without a name, without loving protection, with only shame for their heritage. Such is the orphanage which appeals to us everywhere in our streets. We may pass by without pity the hard, unscrupulous parent, but who is not moved for the children? Artless children, who seem thrown upon the world to be its prey. Born into vice, misery, neglect, degradation. Helpless, oh, how helpless! against the ills which greet them, and so bound up with those who abuse them, that even the hand of love sometimes cannot reach to rescue them.

Their woes appeal to us. The tears as well as the helplessness of the babe moved Pharaoh's daughter. The tears of children flow easily, because their sensitive natures are so quick to feel. The shock of a mere word rudely spoken will betray itself in the quivering lip and eyes suffused. The trials we call trifles, and the pain we would not notice, are real and sharp to them. Doubtless the hardening process is more rapid in those who grow up amid brutal scenes, but they *were born* with the child heart, and God only, who treasures up their tears, knows through what degrees of suffering they pass to learn insensibility. It must be remembered that those who perish in the fearful schooling, outnumber those who survive it.

We have only to step across the threshold of our refined homes, with their darlings so tenderly cherished, to hear the sighing and the surging of this tide of orphan woe. Oh! we see them shivering in the winter's cold at the corners of the streets; cowering away in damp areas from the worse shelter of a drunken home; bent and old with burdens prematurely borne; bruised and disfigured by brutal hands; racked and worn by diseases contracted in foul tenements and through parental neglect; pining in poisonous atmospheres, and crying for the crust which poverty cannot give. If the cruelty and crime which rise to the surface shock us, what must they be in the freedom and authority of their own secret places?

But this is not all. They are in fearful peril; and not only they, but society through them. We have said that Pharaoh's daughter, as she bent pitifully over the little one, thought of the Nile flood and its monsters. We think of worse evils than these. There is an ungodliness which, while it pampers the body, makes an eternal famine in the soul. There is a swift current of earthliness which, with a sparkle on its surface, hides death in its depths. There are wily tempters, whose devourings of childish innocence and trust are more greedy than the ravages of river monsters. We know how even the children of Christian parents are liable to these evils, and how often they break from all the loving restraints of prayer and home and church to plunge madly into them. Who that has watched with the tenderest care the development of some dear child, has not been saddened by thoughts of the future; its world of hardness, suspicion and crime; its cares, its griefs, its disappointments. Who that truly cares for the child has not anxiously prayed that it may know that second birth whose youth never fades, but "renews its strength and mounts up with wings as eagles?" If such is infancy under the happiest circumstances, surely they are peculiarly exposed who know none of those blessed restraints. They are not only exposed, but cast into the very jaws of devouring temptation. The freshness, simplicity, and comparative innocence which make childhood an ever open springtime between our wintry life and the eternal summer, must quickly wither into duplicity and hardness. Coarseness, profanity, cruelty and crime, one by one, take possession, and unless some arm, strengthened by heaven's might, interposes, the fair-haired, guileless child becomes a very fiend in maturity.

II.

Look now again at Pharaoh's daughter, and see how her compassion *worked*. It did not expend itself in idle words. She quickly accepted the suggestion of the child's sister, and provided a home for it. The compassion which does not thus issue forth in action is worse than worthless. When it evaporates in mere feeling, it leaves the heart harder than before. To feel the promptings of good, and not to obey them (when

we have it in our power) is guilt. A true pity will vibrate through the whole being, starting every energy into play, and waking all the harmonies of love. It is inspired to be the impulse of kindred deeds, and is only true to its office when it thus operates. Such was the compassion of the Divine One. To feel for the hungry multitude, was to multiply the loaves and fishes. To weep with the bereaved sisters of Bethany was to compel the rocky sepulchre to yield up its Lazarus.

But the compassion of Pharaoh's daughter was merely nature in her. Our pity ought to be as much more tender and effective as we are superior to her in knowledge, motive and privilege. That which was a natural instinct in her, should be in us nature kindled into a purer glow by the love of Jesus, reanimated by his vivifying Spirit, stirred into earnest action by the grateful duty we owe to him. Back of the sorrow which every heart not wholly dead must feel for suffering, stands the Cross. Compassion will gather from its bleeding sufferer; whose love for a lost world brought Him there, fresh stimulus for action. It will catch the fire and fervency of heaven's own charity. It will add to the love of man the love of God, and under the pressure of this double motive, the truest zeal will leap into life.

That which proceeded, therefore, from no sense of duty in the heathen princess, but rather contradicted her obligations as an Egyptian, is by the holiest sanctions, by the highest dictates of love, gratitude and commandment, *duty for us*. The neglected children who drift to our doors, not only *may*, but *must*, be cared for. We are bound to save them if we can. It was our Divine Master who not only regarded them as so precious that he could say, "Of such is the kingdom of heaven," but whose express charge it was, "Suffer them to come," and whose resurrection decree, "Feed my lambs."

We have in the Saviour's compassion, then, the measure and the rule of our duty. The action of Pharaoh's daughter feebly foreshadows the divine love of Christ. He has provided in his church a nursing mother for the orphan and the helpless. He has not merely pitied them. He does not stand afar off and leave them to perish. He has committed them to their own kinsfolk upon earth, who, moved by His love, can fold them into their human sympathies, and make

homes for them here, which shall prepare them for the hereafter. Oh! it is not for us to charge God with cruelty and neglect, when we hear the cries of abused and perishing little ones, or think of the thousands in our streets, homeless or worse than homeless. It is not for us to doubt His providence, as if He who notes the sparrow's fall did not care for every one of these little ones. His providence *has* cared for them, and should he speak from the skies to those who doubt his care, he would say, Ye are the guilty ones; I have saved you by the blood of my own dear Son; I have given you wealth and strength and opportunity; I have charged you concerning every friendless little one, "Take this child and nurse it for me." Yea, more, in the fullness of present comfort, and the rewards of eternity, I have promised to "give thee thy wages." The blessed work of perpetuating Christ's own incarnate love is committed to the Christian church. He would put a mother heart into his people, and through them gather the outcasts into the shelter of human affections, and through those affections restore them to the joys of the Father's house. The homes which Christianity rears are the evidences of His care, and just in proportion to our faithfulness in admitting His love to our hearts, will He go forth, as of old, into the world to "seek and to save that which was lost."

But the method of Christ's compassion in providing a refuge for the orphan in the warm heart of his church, is the method which every individual Christian is bound to imitate. The compassion of Pharaoh's daughter was Christlike because it led her to consider *HOW* she could relieve and protect the child. Her feeling did not stop short of action. Now it is just here that the sympathy of many fails. They feel the sufferings of others, but they do not take the trouble to think how they may relieve them. There are many earnest sisters of the poor close at hand, suggesting the means by which the good may be accomplished; but they do not heed them. They sigh and pass by and leave the good which by a very little thought and effort they might do, *undone*. There is no excuse for this kind of neglect, because the means by which every variety of want may be relieved are so easily accessible. If we do not think it wise to relieve the poor at our doors, we can use the various agencies devised by our city

mission societies, and secure the services of the missionary or the district visitor. If we cannot take the destitute sick into our houses, we can find beds for them and tender care in some of our noble hospitals.

If we cannot adopt the orphan into our families, we can turn to such Christian institutions as our Church Home for Girls, or Educational Home for Boys, and say, "Take this child and nurse it for me, and I will give thee thy wages." If we cannot go out into the highways and hedges and gather in the neglected ones, we can, of our abundance, give to those who will do it, "their wages." We can support these institutions, by our sympathy, our influence, our labors, our prayers, our gifts. True charity will not rest until it provides relief for those whom it pities. What we need more than anything else for the relief of the destitute about us, is the spirit to avail ourselves of the homes and asylums and various charitable organizations which claim our interest and support. Many voices are saying, "Shall I call thee a nurse of the Hebrew women?" If we had but ears to hear, and would but take the trouble to inquire, and then to use the facilities within our reach, few would be left to suffer.

We may add here, that it is for those, who, like the sister of Moses, offer to provide a refuge for stray children, to see that there is something as much as possible, like mother's love in their charities. The points at which their beneficiaries are touched, are the points to be guarded. Christian institutions should always have a heart in them. They may be wise in organization, and excellent in discipline, and showy in buildings and names, but if they do not touch with love those whom they receive, they fail of being Christian. I have noticed with delight, that those sister institutions, to which I have referred; the Church Home, the Lincoln Institution and the Educational Home, are pervaded by this spirit of motherhood. The managers are brought into personal contact with the children and learn to love them. We are sure when we commit our orphans to them, that we are placing them in arms which will deal very kindly with them.

III.

Notice finally, what the compassion of Pharaoh's daughter wrought. It rescued the child, placed it in hands which would train it up for God, and thereby gave to Israel its Moses! The effects of her compassion were confined not to the individual, but overflowed to the nation and the world. All Christian work among children has this twofold effect. It works not only an immediate good to its object, but also a permanent good to the state and the world. Each redeemed child is so much combustible material taken from the mass which kindles riotings and converted to honest uses. It is startling to read the records of crime and note how much of it is committed by beardless boys; boys who have grown up without restraint, breathing from infancy an atmosphere of profanity and vice. As far back as 1868, by the school census it was ascertained that more than 20,000 children of our city attended no school, either public or private, and that of this number, 11,000 were between six and twelve years of age. We see in the loungers at the corners of the streets, the coarse loafers who live in bar-rooms, and the thieves and murderers who fill our prisons, what the maturity of a neglected, untaught childhood must generally be.

How gladly then ought we to throw our energies into every institution which would reach and reduce this tide of evil influence at the fountain. I am happy to avail myself of this opportunity to commend the group of related institutions, which have this for their common and Christ-like purpose. They have grown one out of the other like the spreading branches of a blooming plant.

The Church Home had not been long established, when the sad exigencies of war created a need for some special home for soldiers' orphans. The Lincoln Institution was established and opened its doors to the sons of the brave men who had laid down their lives for the nation; but as with the passing away of the smoke of battle, this class of orphans decreased, the need of a home in which those who had grown up in the Institution should be sheltered from the dangerous world outside, and other orphan boys be gathered in and trained for useful positions in life, became abundantly apparent. Time so fully proved the usefulness of the Institution, that, in 1871, the man-

agers found themselves carrying on two distinct works under one roof. Sixty-five boys were at work, representing thirty-five different trades and occupations, (sixteen being over sixteen years of age, and according to the rules, boarders in the House,) while fifty-five were under twelve, and required the preparatory training of the school-room, and a special kind of care. It was evident that to the Home for the working boys, which deserved to be a work by itself, must be added an Educational Home for the orphans under twelve years of age. This has grown up with marvellous rapidity, is in full operation to-day, and for it we ask your liberal offerings. It was opened and dedicated a little more than a year since. One hundred and forty-seven boys have been received: they are taken from two to ten years of age; at twelve or thirteen years of age, they are transferred to the Lincoln Institution and situations provided for them. These two homes are the only ones which receive boys over six years of age and retain them over twelve. The Educational Home was recognized at our last convention and commended to the charitable consideration of our church-members. Every annual subscription of one hundred and four dollars entitles an orphan to its care and support. There is no debt upon the ground or building, and therefore the money which is given is applied as directly and economically as possible to the children. It is for you, my hearers, to say what the limits of this and kindred works shall be. Just in proportion to your interest and liberality will be their ability to make room for the many who are seeking admittance. Eternity alone can tell what characters influential for good through the coming generations may be saved to society by your charity to-day.

You may remember the account which came to us several years ago from the West, of two little children who strayed away from home and were lost. Their frantic parents searched for them in vain; every thicket and by-way was explored, but day after day passed and no trace could be found. How doubly sad the story was when we heard at last, that their bodies had been found close by home. They had wandered until cold and exhausted, and then the brother had wrapped the sister in his own jacket and lying down together they had sobbed themselves to sleep. Death sealed that sleep, and God took them. But how harrowing to think that they were lost close by home; and this is the thought which

oppresses us, when we walk the streets of our great cities and see the hundreds of barefoot, soiled and hardened children. Just outside of Christian homes (their pinched faces often pressed wistfully against the window panes), they are perishing! Right under the shadow of Christian churches they are growing up into ignorance, vice and destruction! Yes, and just on the threshold of Christian institutions into which Christian hands might gather them, if they would! They are in danger of being lost, lost to society, to the community, to themselves, to God! The saddest thing of all is that they should be lost *close by home*. Just a little interest, a little trouble, a little of that practical sympathy which Pharoah's daughter exercised, would find, for oh! how many of them, some nursing mother to whom it might be said, "Take this child and nurse it for me, and I will give thee thy wages." High Heaven gives back an echo to the words, and says through Christ to every lover of his little ones, "I will give thee thy wages."

